





STEP

SO YOU'RE
THE SPIRIT
EVERYONE'S
BEEN TALKING
ABOUT.

I HEARD YOU
WERE ABSURDLY
STRONG, SO I
THOUGHT ABOUT
RUNNING AWAY...

BUT I GUESS
MY CURIOSITY
GOT THE BEST
OF ME.

HER SUMMON

LORD YUTUBA!
IT'S HIM!

HE TRIED
TO THROW ME
AND MISS MAINA
INTO THE
WATER...!!

BENNY, TAKE
AI AND HIDE!

AH, YES!

DASH

THAT'S
NOT GOOD...

I NEED TO
DISPOSE OF
THEM TO GET
THE REST OF
THE PAYMENT...



AREN'T YOU GUYS GOING A BIT OVERBOARD?

THEY'RE JUST ORDINARY PEOPLE!

SHING



THEY AREN'T LEGENDARY HEROES... OR THE KING'S SECRET DAUGHTER...

OR EVEN THE DEMON KING'S HEIR WHO'S DESTINED TO DESTROY THE WORLD...



SO WHY...

ARE YOU TRYING SO HARD TO KILL HER?

WHO IN THE WORLD IS MAKING YOU DO THIS?



AHAHA, DEAR ME...

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE GLARING AT ME...



AND ASKING SUCH A BORING QUESTION...



THOSE THAT PARTICIPATE IN EXPEDITIONS TO THE NORTH DO NOT LIVE TO TELL THE TALE.

EITHER THEY DIE IN THE NORTH... OR THEY DIE ON THEIR WAY BACK...

OR DIE BEFORE THEY CAN EVEN



LEAVE.

FROM THE KING'S PERSPECTIVE, AS THE DEMONS HAVE INCREASED SO RAPIDLY, HE HAS TO ACT...

BUT IF THIS DANGER IS ENTIRELY ELIMINATED, IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO LAZE ABOUT.

DON'T YOU THINK?

THE LORDS ALCHEMISTS, BARDS AND THE SUMMONERS HAVE ALL WORKED TOGETHER TO FIND A SOLUTION...

BUT THE KING IS CONSPIRING WITH THE WIZARDS INSTEAD OF WORRYING ABOUT THE SECURITY OF HIS KINGDOM...

SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS...

THE LORDS HAVE TAKEN OVER THE ALCHEMISTS, BARDS, AND SUMMONERS GUILDS...

AND TRAPPED THE KING AND THE WIZARD GUILD, ISN'T IT?!

WHAT?

GILD?

GILL WHAT?

SINCE THE KING COMMANDED THEM, THEY HAVE TO PRETEND TO FOLLOW HIS ORDERS...

BUT IF THEY ACTUALLY SOLVE THE PROBLEM, IT WILL BE TROUBLESOME...

SO THE LORDS HAVE GIVEN ORDERS TO ELIMINATE THE EXPEDITION PARTIES, RIGHT?

UH...

THAT'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT TO WHAT I SAID...

WHO WOULD BELIEVE YOUR WORDS?

LIP YOURS,
ASSHOLE.

UP MY...

UP MY WHAT?

THE KING
AND THE WIZARDS
HAVE WORKED TO
HELP THE EXPEDITION
SUCCEED!

I'VE SEEN
HIM TRY TO HELP
WITH MY OWN EYES!
YOUR LIES WON'T
WORK ON ME!

THERE'S NO
MANA IN THIS
WORLD, BECAUSE
OF THESE
THINGS?

DOESN'T
THAT MEAN...

AH.

NOW I
GET IT.

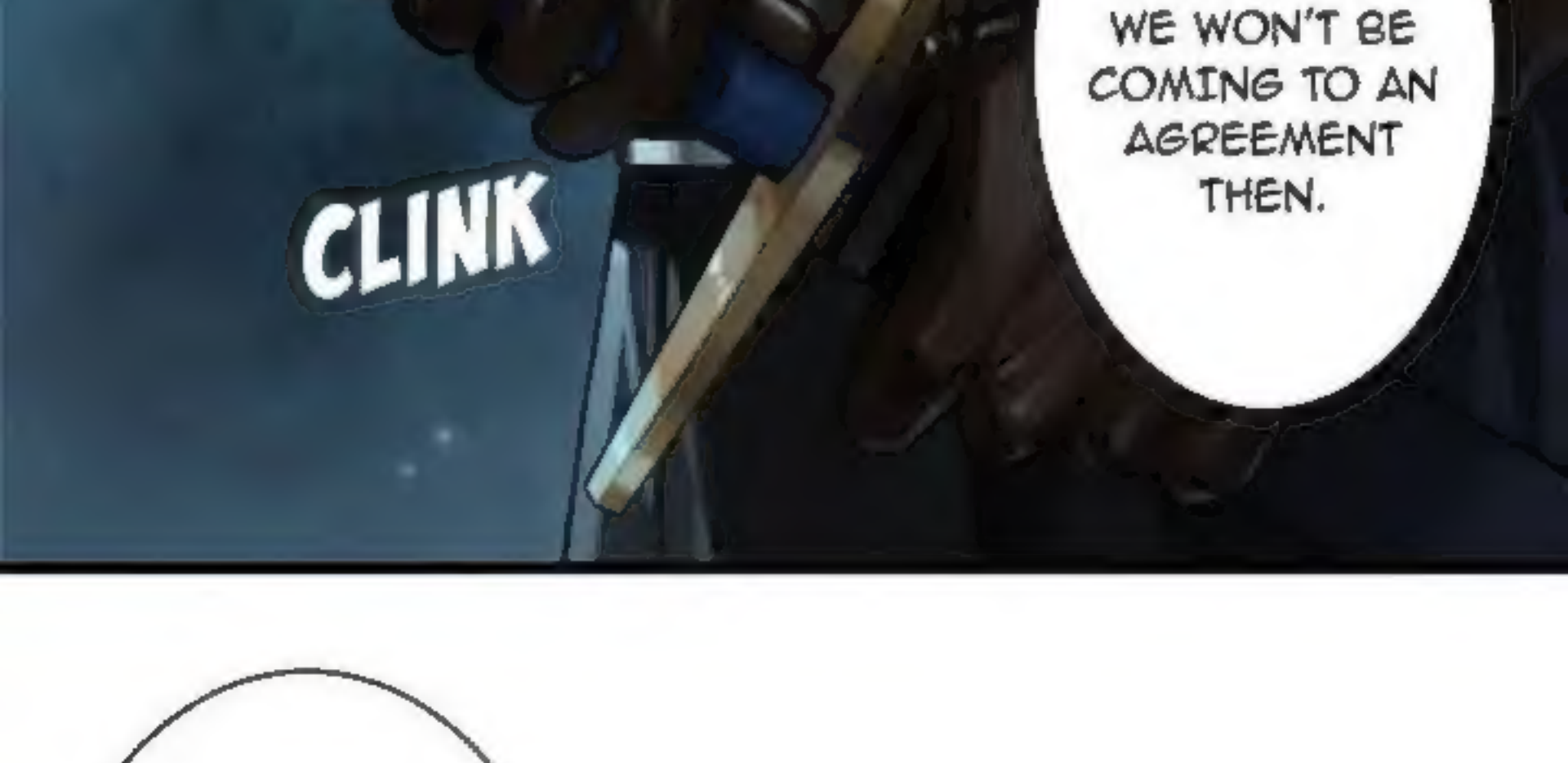
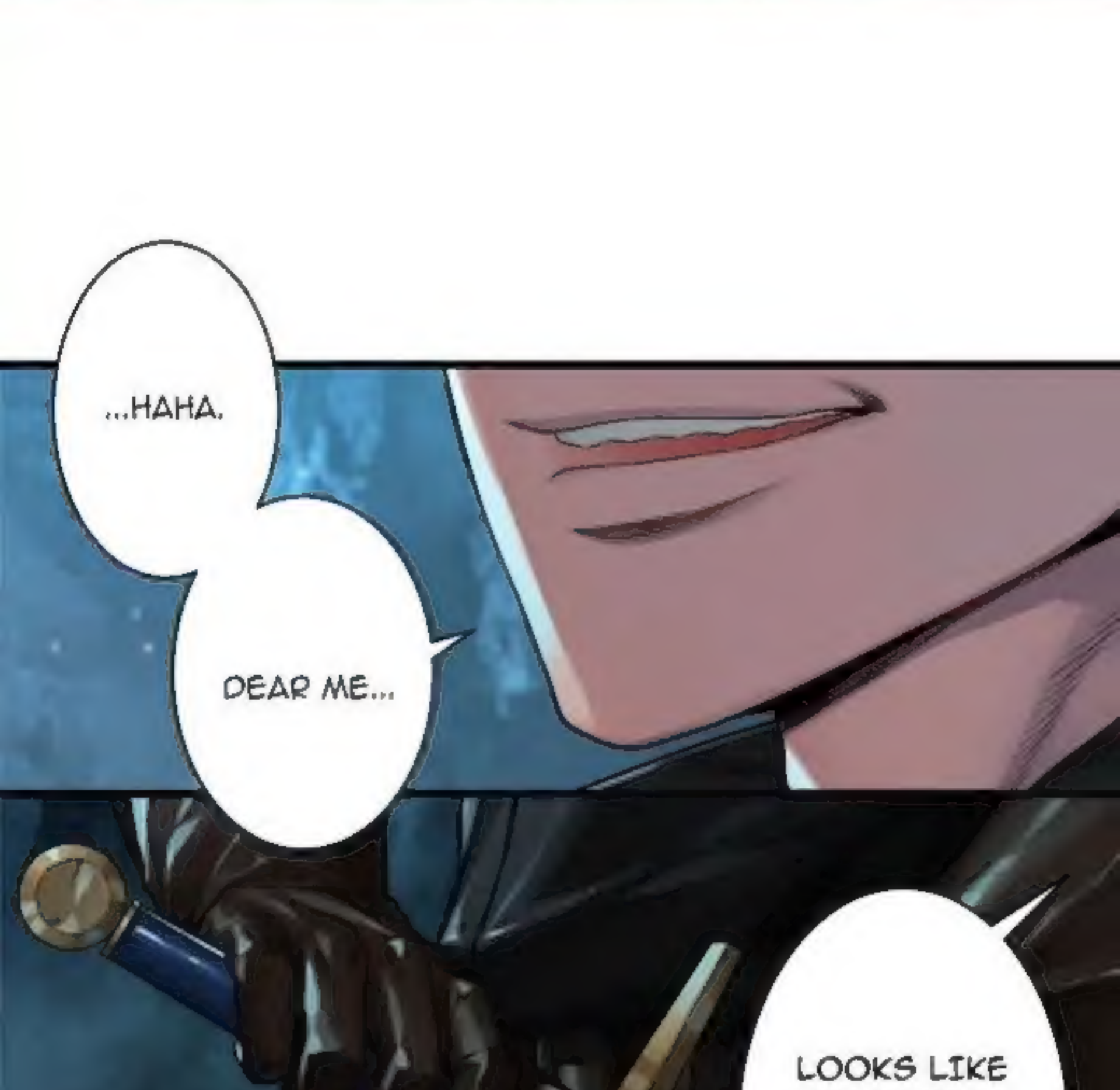
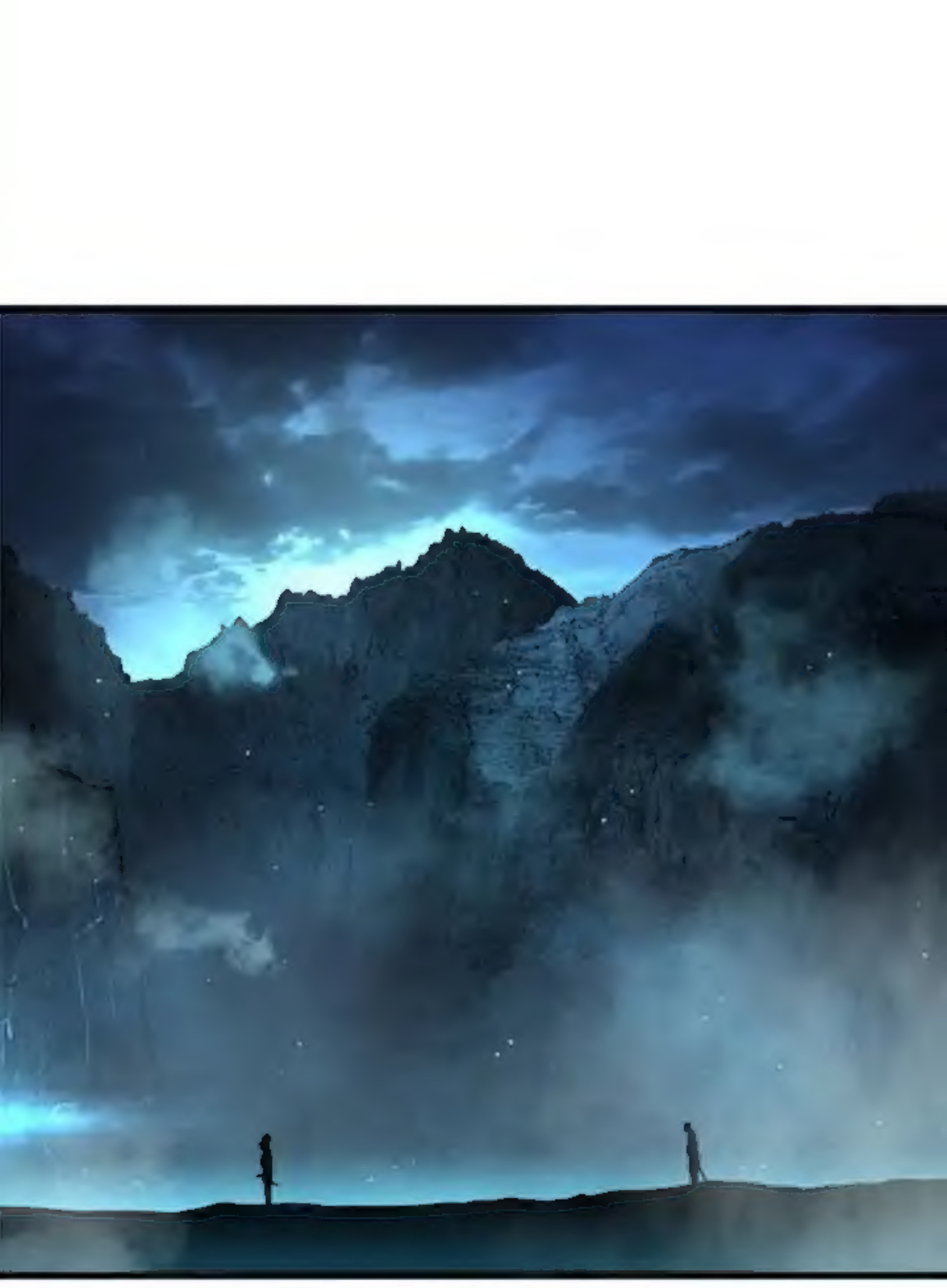
IF YOU USE
THE SHELCON TOO
MUCH AND USE
UP ALL THE
MANA...

THE WIZARDS,
WHO ARE THE ONLY
ONES ON THE KING'S
SIDE WILL LOSE
THEIR INFLUENCE.

AS LONG
AS THE LORDS,
WHO HAVE TAKEN
OVER THE GUILDS
JUST PAY HIM LIP
SERVICE, AND DON'T
ACTUALLY HELP
HIM.

IN OTHER
WORDS...

YOU'RE THE
BASTARDS...





ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS?



NOW THAT AI'S ENDED UP LIKE THAT...

I'M IN A PRETTY BAD MOOD, YOU SEE.



I SPENT A LOT OF TIME PREPARING THIS...

SO I'M JUST HOPING IT WORKS!



HAAAAH!!



HER SUMMON